

REMARKS

The Office Action contained rejections of claims under 35 USC §§112 and 103. Each of the rejections will be responded to below.

a. Response to §112 Rejections

Claims 2, 6 and 7 were rejected under 35 USC §112, second paragraph, as being indefinite. Claims 2-7 have been canceled by the present Amendment, obviating the rejection.

b. Response to §103 Rejections

Claims 1-2 and 5-7 were rejected under 35 USC §103(a) over *Pierce* (U.S. 4,823,497) in view of *Kim et al.* (U.S. 6,098,331). Claims 3 and 4 were objected to as being depended upon a rejected base claim, but were stated to be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

Accordingly, Applicant has amended claim 1 to correspond to claim 4 rewritten in independent form, there having been no intervening claims. The limitations of claim 3 have also been included in claim 1, to clarify that the members are removable from one another. It is therefore believed that claim 1 is in condition for allowance.

Additional minor amendments have been made in claim 1 to improve the language thereof. In addition, the phrase "in a clockwise direction" has been deleted from claim 1 as being unnecessary surplusage.

c. New Claims

New claims 8-15 have been added by the present Amendment.

Dependent claim 8 corresponds to original claim 1, but has been written to include limitations corresponding to those of allowable claim 4 and without those limitations of original claim 1 believed unnecessary to distinguish over the cited references. Specifically, claim 8 recites a main body for housing a light source, a cap portion having a weight, and a tail portion for holding fish attractant and having fins for causing the lure to spin, with the body, cap and tail portions being removable from one another and the cap portion being mountable to the tail portion so as to form a scent release lure that can be used without the body portion that holds the light source. New claims 9-15 depend from claim 8, and contain limitations corresponding to those originally recited in claims 2-7.

Accordingly, it is respectfully submitted that new claims 8-15 are allowable over the prior art of record.

c. Conclusion

Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of the present application in view of the remarks set forth herein. It is believed that the claims are now in condition for allowance.

Signed at Granite Falls, County of Snohomish, State of Washington this _____ day of April, 2006.

Respectfully submitted,

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